

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2871**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Keiji KASHIMA

Application No.: 09/515,675

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For: **BACK LIGHT DEVICE WITH DIFFUSING SHEET FOR A LIQUID CRYSTAL  
DISPLAY APPARATUS (As Amended)**

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed January 14, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please replace claims 1 and 6 as follows:

1. (Six Times Amended) A back light device comprising:
- a light source;
  - a lightconductor in a substantial plate form comprising a front face, a back face and side end faces,
  - light radiated from the light source and made incident on the one of the side end faces being output as a first diffused light having a peak oblique to the normal standing on a light outputting surface therefrom which is the front face;

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